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PAPERS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL OF SAFETY
OF THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY IN SOUTH
CAROLINA, JUNE-NOVEMBER, 1775.

[Continued from the July number.]

[96.]

[CAPT. WILLIAM FULLWOOD'S COMPANY OF VOLUNTEER MILITIA.]

We whose names are hereunto subscribed do certify that we have chosen the Undermentioned Gentlemen for officers of a Company of Volunteers, to be immediately under the Command and Direction of the Committee of safety in the Province of South Carolina. we hope our choice may be approved of.

Cap^t William Fullwood—Captain

Lieu^t John Gambell

1st Lieu^t

Lieu^t James Davis

2^d Lieu^t

Given under our hands the 30th September 1775.—

1 William Martin	19 John Laferty	38 John Frierson Jr
2 James Conyers Jr	20 John Pursor	39 James Mc Calla
3 Saml Davison	21 Patk Fagan	40 William Gamble
4 Edwd Dickey	22 Evan Benbow	41 Robt Reilly
5 James Dickey	23 William Carson	42 John Rafield
6 Edwd Drake	24 Corns Dysert	43 Robt Thomson
7 John Woods	25 Hugh Davis	44 Arthr White
8 John Wimpee	26 Ebenr Bagnal	45 John Bagnal
9 William Mc Coy	27 John Vertu	46 William Milwee
10 William Floyd	28 Benja Davis	47 John Milwee
11 David Anderson	29 John Liveston	48 Robt Gamble
12 James Thomson	30 James Woods	49 Randal Platt
13 William Brunson Sr	31 John Platt	50 Corns Donavan.
14 Danl Conyers	32 John Nelson	
15 William Mc Elveen	33 Thos Levans	
16 John Webb	34 Ethelridge Pitman	
17 Isaac Roland	35 Henry Montgomery	
18 William Taylor	36 William Montgomery	
	37 Malcum Kerr	

A True Coppy.

Endorsed: Capt Wm Fullwoods
Volunteer Company
Commissions granted
October 1775.⁹⁰

[97.]

[COMMISSIONERS FOR FORT LYTTLETON TO THE COUNCIL OF
SAFETY.]

Addressed: To
Council of safety
Charles Town

Beaufort 3^d October 1775.

Gentlemen

We have Received a Resolve of the Council of Safety, Impowering us to put Fort Lyttleton into proper Repair⁹¹ and for which purpose you have granted Three Thousand two Hundred Pounds.—we have this day drawn on you in fav. of Thos Heyward Junr Esqr for a Thousand

⁹⁰ From the private collection of A. S. Salley, Jr. See *The Sunday News*, Charleston, S. C., March 19, 1899.

⁹¹ See issues of this magazine for October, 1900, p. 303, and January, 1901, p. 15 et seq.

pounds of said sum, as we shall have Occasion for so much soon to pay workmen which are to be Employ'd, in mean time you may be assured we shall use our best endeavours to Expedite the work.

We are Gentlemen

Your Hble servants

John Joyner

Tunes Tebout.

Andrew Aggnew

Jas Cuthbert

D. DeSaussure

Endorsed: Commissioners for Fort
Lyttleton 3^d Octob 1775
Reported in Council
the 8th_____

[98.]

[CAPT. EZEKIEL POLK TO HENRY LAURENS.]

Addressed: To
Col! Henry Laurens Esq^r
President of the Council
of Safety
Mr Mr Burns } Charles Town—

2^d October 1775

Sir } .

I Flattered myself that I would Recive an answer to my Letter of the 12th Sep^r last by Mr Henry; I am partly in a State of inactivity, I Took my Company & five Companies of the Militia & Volunteers, in Order to Join Col! Thompson, but had not Marched far till we Received Certain Intelligence that Col! Fletchall had Decamped; I have made a Tour among the Tories on Kings Creek, some of whom seem Determined not to subscribe the association; I have Thought that forcing them to subscribe would not sufficiently

secure them, therefore have taken a middle course with them, as you will find by the Inclosed Deposition; I thought it prudent at this Dangerous Crisis to proceed in this manner as some have already Declared, that although the Want of Necesaries has Obligated them to Subscribe yet they would Join the other party if they must fight; I have sworn several of them in this manner;⁹² and Expect a number at my house to morrow for that purpose; this is their Voluntary act, and perhaps time may make them active on our side.

I Received the Order of the Council of Safety of 20th Sep^r which I will lay before the Committee To morrow for their Consideration ;—

Sir I am with Zeal & Esteem
your most Obed^t

Excuse Incorrectness

Humble

I write in haste

Servant

Ezek^l Polk

o Col^l Henry Laurens Esqr—

Endorsed : Capt Ezek. Polk

2^d October 1775 Reed

& Read in Council the

12th Answ^d 13

[99.]

[COL. RICHARD RICHARDSON TO THE COUNCIL OF SAFETY.]

Addressed : To

The Hon^{able} Council of Safety

Cha^r Town—

W^h fav^r Mr. Moore }

Gentlemen

Mr Isham Moore first Lieut^t of Cap^t Matt^y Singletons Company, or Troop, of Light horse; wait on You, by whom I transmit the Return made to Me by Cap^t Singleton. They

⁹² See the April issue of this magazine, p. 103 et seq.

were Embodied sometime before I was call'd out by the Hon^{ble} Mr Drayton; and was on Service at their Own Expence the time Specified in the Inclos'd Return : You will no Doubt make such provission for the Return as are agreeable to the Resolutions &c and if the Officers and Company meet with Your Approbation will Comission them Accordingly—I shall take the Liberty of Transmitting Such Other Returns of Some other Troop of Light horse and militia as Make Returns to me; the Expence Upon the Whole will be Very Triffling—I have the Honour

to be. Gentlemen Your Most

Obedient Hble Serv^t

Rich^d Richardson

Council of Safety } St Marks 7th Oct^r 1775—

Endorsed : Coll^o Richardson

7th October 1775

Reed 12th & offered

Read the 13th & Answ^d ⁹³

[The accompanying return.]

A true Roll of the Company or Troop of Light-Horse Embodied under the Command of Captain Matthew Singleton, of Saint Mark's Parish, on the High Hills of Santee, which was Out on the Provincial Service of South Carolina : under the Command of Colonel Richard Richardson : Commencing the 13th day of September 1775; and Discharged the 22^d Day of the said Instant.⁹⁴

⁹³ From the private collection of A. S. Salley, Jr. See *The Sunday News*, Charleston, S. C., March 12, 1899.

⁹⁴ From the private collection of A. S. Salley, Jr. See *The Sunday News*, Charleston, S. C., March 12, 1899. The original roll of this company, handed in at its organization Aug. 26, 1775, was published in this magazine for July, 1900, pp. 184-186.

Isham Moore	} Lieut's	W ^m Brunson	James M ^c Cormack
John Singleton		Peter Matthews	Zac ^h Harrel
Joseph Hill		Jesse Temples	Josiah Wheet
Caleb Gayle		Alex ^r Holliday	Isaac Jackson
Rich ^d Wells..	Drum ^r	Ephraim Pcole	Tho ^s Jackson
Tho ^s Morfet		Jacob Brigman	Drewry Fletcher
Josiah Gayle		Charles Goodwin	Ed ^d Hill
Willis Ramsey		Henry Wheeler	Sam ^l Devise
Rich ^d Harvin		Hope Ridgway	Sabe Stone
Sam ^l Tines		James Allen	Thomas Neil
Rob ^t Tines		Joseph Rogers	David Neil
The above return of Two Lieutenants Two Sergeants one Drum and Twenty Eight Privates— Capt Mat Singleton made Oath to be just & True 27 th Sept 1775 before W ^m Richardson J P			

Endorsed: Capt M. Singleton's
Company of Horse

[100.]

[CAPT. ROBERT LIDE'S COMPANY OF VOLUNTEER MILITIA.]

To the Honourable the Council of Safety of South Carolina

The humble Petition of Sixty of the Inhabitants on the
North East Side of Pee Dee River, from Browns Creek
to the Three Creeks, in St Davids Parish

Sheweth

That your Petitioners, concious of the Injustice of
Several Acts of the British Parliament, past in the
Reign of his present Majesty, and being desirous to
serve their Country by aiding and assisting their
Brethren, the good people of this Colony, in their
opposition of every foe, as becomes every good
Citizen to do, have formed a Company of Volun-
teers and have chosen Robert Lide Esq^r to be their

Captain, Mr Thomas Powe to be their first Lieutenant, and Mr William Watkins to be their second Lieutenant

Your Petitioners therefore pray that your Honours will be pleased to Issue the requisite Commissions for the above Named Gentlemen as soon as may be, and your Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray

Philip Perry	Richard Whittington	Theodorick Webb
Willis Studdivent	Ephraim Whittington	Samuell Moore
Owent Whittington	Jessee Brown	Jessee Mixon
Jerrimiah Rowell	William Warrington	Thos Davis
Joseph Allison	Thomas Sweat	John Cone
James Coleman	Solomon Studdivent	Jordon Purkins
Josiah Cox	John Kenneday	Joseph Harper
Mannell Cox	James Findlay	Isaac Purkins
John Cox	Matthew Murphey	Cornelius Mixon
Francis Whittington Junr	Thos Baker	John Rabon
Joshua Stroud	Francis Kenneday	Dale Baker
Michael Mixon	Alexander Craig	Charles Rabon
Griffen Nunnery	William Sweat	Nathan Sweat
Jacob Blackwell	William Cherry	Joseph Owens
Samuel Brown	Joseph Dobbs	William Bodirford
Abel Lewis	Isaac Turbeveal	John Townsen
Maurice Murphey Junr	Richd Kerby	Light Townsen
James Harris	Reuben Jenkins	Benja Baker
		George Cherry
		Isaac Wolf
		David Lee
		Jno Heath
		Jno Mixon
		Drury Lee

Endorsed : Volunteer Company
 Robt Lide Captain
 9th October 1775—⁹⁵

⁹⁵ From the private collection of A. S. Salley, Jr. See *The Sunday News*, Charleston, S. C., March 19, 1899.

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[HENRY LAURENS TO BENJAMIN JENKINS.]

Sir—

I am ordered by the Council of Safety to acknowledge the Rec^d of your Letter of the 10th Ins^t & to acquaint you that they have Issued the proper quantity of Gun Powder for the Colleton County Regiment & put it under the direction of Coll^o Glover to whom the Captains of the Militia & Volunteer Companies on Edisto Island must apply for their proportion.

Whenever you send a Boat, provided it shall be before the meeting of the Congress, the Council of Safety will order four four-pound Cannon together with a proper quantity of Corn Powder to be delivered for the service you point out, but they are informed that there are not any 4th Shot in Charles Town—perhaps you may think it best to postpone this business to the meeting of Congress when other pieces of Cannon for which suitable shot may be found, may then be ordered.—

I am Sir

Charles Town 13 Octob^r 1775. Your most obedient servant
Benjamin Jenkins Esquire.—

Endorsed: Copy 13th Octob^r 1775

To Capt Polk⁹⁶
& B. Jenkins

[102.]

[OATH OF NEUTRALITY TRANSMITTED BY CAPT. POLK.⁹⁷]

South Carolina	}	Robert Black, Joseph Black, William Wilson, Daniel Ponder, Nathaniel Hari- son John Black, Jacob Garner, James Black
New acquisition		

⁹⁶ The name of Capt Polk is scratched out by lead pencil, and beneath Henry Laurens's endorsement is written, by lead pencil, the word "Gunpowder" in the handwriting of Prof. William J. Rivers.

⁹⁷ See No. 98, p. 261.

Came before me and Voluntarily made Oath that they will not, (unless Compelled in Self Defence) lift arms against the americans in their present Contest with Great Britain nor Do any thing by word or action which they shall know to be against the american Cause,

Sworn before me this }

3^d of October 1775— }

Ezek! Polk ss

Robert Black

Jacob Gerdner

Joseph Black

John Black

Daniel Ponder

James Black

Nathaniel Harrisⁿ

William Wilson

Endorsed: 5 Neutral affida-
-vits from Coll^o

Polk. Rec^d 14 Octob 1775

[*To be continued in the next number of this Magazine.*]

ARMY CORRESPONDENCE OF COL.
JOHN LAURENS.

[In 1867 the Bradford Club, of New York, published a volume of "the army correspondence of Colonel John Laurens in the years 1777-8," which was edited, with a memoir of Col. Laurens, by Wm. Gilmore Simms. The letters here given do not appear in that volume. They are from originals in possession of the South Carolina Historical Society. Col. Laurens was at school in England when the Revolution began, but returned to Charles Town in April 1777, and soon went to the North, and was taken into Gen. Washington's official family as an aide-de-camp with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. These letters cover various periods in his military career from that time until his death, August 27, 1782.]

[1.]

[WILLIAM MANNING TO JOHN LAURENS.]

Addressed: John Laurens Esq^r
Charles Town
S^c Carolina

John Laurens Esq^r
Dear Sir

London 12 July 1777
(1st Copy)

I have received your several favours of the 11th, 25th, & 27th Jany., 2nd, & 16th April, the letters they covered were delivered as directed, the last gave me most pleasure; I rejoice to hear of your safe arrival at Charles Town, & of your escape from the several perils my imagination had formed for you, I confess I expected to hear of you from some English port, concluding that you would be inter-

cepted by a Man of War; now my fears create new dangers for you, least your zeal shou'd hurry you too forward in the Military line, my only hopes are your being governed by your Fathers prudence, & Moderation.—As you take no notice of my letters of the 17th January, & 4th Febry, in answer to your two 1st I conclude they reached Bordeaux after you had embarked, Patty wrote at the same times, & oftener than I did; the 1st was to inform you of your having a Daughter, who has undergone much pain, & misery by a swelling in her Hip, & Thigh, I believe from a hurt by the carelessness of the Nurse, which she would not confess, for a long time, I did not expect she could live, & from Doc^r Hills opinion I thought it impossible, but M^r Grindalls skill saved her, & she is now very well at Chelsea, for the change of air. From you desiring me to procure a passage for Patty, she is all impatience to sett out, I said little to stem these first emotions, but I have since talked to her on the risk she must run, & the hardships she must be exposed to, they seem to stagger her, though they have not yet (over) altered her resolutions, but if she will be guided by me, I would by no means have her venture till peace is restored to us, & even then I should not think it prudent to venture, without you come for her, I believe I could put her into very safe hands to convey her to St Kitts about Xmas next, but shou'd the Ship be taken by an American Privateer, she may be exposed to horrid insults, & in her passage from St Eustatia to Charles Town, as much is to be dreaded from English Ships of War, I can't object to her joining you, if it can be done with safety, but I shall be very unhappy to part with her under our present disagreeable circumstances,¹ altho' M^r Daniel Blake² has

¹ Mrs. Laurens probably took her father's advice and remained in England, and the following notice probably shows when Col. Laurens's only child first came to Charleston:

"Wednesday last Mrs. Laurens, (widow of the late James Laurens, Esq:) Miss Patty Laurens and Miss Polly Laurens, (daughters of the Hon. Henry Laurens, Esq:) Miss Fanny Laurens, (only child of the brave Col. John Laurens, deceased)" and others "arrived here from London, in the ship Olive Branch, Capt. Angus."—*The South-Carolina Gazette and Public Advertiser*, Saturday, May 14, 1785.

² See April 1900 magazine, pp. 159-60.

very politely assured me of his protection to her; you will conclude from this, that if she follows my advice she will remain here, if not my letter to your Father of the 1st of Jan^y (of which you was bearer) expresses fully what I can at present do for her, I shall therefore only add that my fortune increases as fast as I have any right to expect, & in proportion will be her share, unless I shou'd live to be able to give each of my Daughters £10,000, which I flatter myself 7 or 8 years will effect, & further (at present) I don't think of going, be it more or less, it will be yours by my Will, on your making an adequate settlement, if not it is conveyed to Trustees for her provision, I have as I mentioned to you, continued her on the same stipend with my other Daughters & from a Legacy of £300 bequeathed to her, by her Uncle Mr Ryan, which I hope will last untill a happy accommodation is brought about, & supply the expences of herself, & Child; I shall not use the licence you gave me of breaking into your Father's stock. Mr^s Manning is as usual unwell, Sally in the Country, Patty at Chelsea, Betsey, Jack, & myself keep house, & all join in our affectionate Compliments to you, & our best wishes attend all your undertakings, especially those that tend to peace—

Harry³ spent the Days of Whitsuntide with us, & the nights with Mr Parsons; the Nursery, & Mr^s Manning's illness filled (by sending me to another bed) our house, he is a fine fellow, Mr George Taylor was so pleased with him he gave him half a Guinea; I am going to Richmond presently,

I am

Dear Sir

Original p^r Family)
 Trader (Via Bermuda)

Yours affectionately
 W^m Manning

³ Henry Laurens, Col. Laurens's younger brother, then at school in England.

July 15th 1777

Dear Sir

I went to Richmond & saw Harry well. Patty's letter came under a cover to Jack while we were absent.' on my return I sent it to Portsmouth to go by the Family Trader to Mr W^m Savage at Bermuda & I hope it will reach you

I am

Yours affectionately

W^m Manning

Endorsed: W^m Manning

London 12th July 1777—

Answ^d 9th Feby. 1778.

[2.]

[GEN. GEORGE WASHINGTON TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL
JOHN LAURENS.]

Addressed: On public Service

To

Lieut Col^o John Laurens

at

Providence

Rhode Island.

G^o Washington

Endorsed on cover by Alexander Hamilton: To be forwarded
with all speed—

Alex Hamilton

Aide De Camp

Head Quarters White plains 12th Aug^t
1778. 9 oClock P. M.

Dear Sir

The inclosed letter, for Count D'Estaing, is to be delivered to him, provided the British Fleet should not have been arrived, or being arrived, he should not have come to

an engagement with them : For, if the Count should have come to an engagement with the British Admiral before this reaches you, the intelligence, which the letter⁴ contains, will be useless to him, and therefore need not be communicated.

I am Dear Sir

Your most obt^s Serv^t

G^o Washington

Lieut Col^o Laurens.

Endorsed by Henry Laurens : Gen. Washington—

White plains 12th Aug^t 1778

[*To be continued in the next number of this Magazine.*]

⁴ The following is a copy of the inclosure, in John Laurens's handwriting:

Extract of a Letter from Elizabeth Town dated the 10th of August 1778 from Brigadier General Maxwell.

"There is no doubt of the Fleet's being gone, as I mentioned before. Captain Randal from Chatham, came up from the Shore yesterday and confirms the same; Colo Beatty also returned from Staten Island and brought with him the inclosed list of their Fleet which was gone; but as it was their account (the Enemy's) he does not believe it to be so strong. Nobody allows there are above Two men of War lately come from England, and most say there is but one."

Endorsed by John Laurens : Extract of a Letter
from
Gen^l Maxwell

Added by Henry Laurens : Elizabeth town 10th Aug^t 1778

CAPTAIN^a WILLIAM CAPERS AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.

By A. S. SALLEY, JR.

Conspicuous in the history of South Carolina has been the name of Capers,^b and especially so in the ecclesiastical history of this commonwealth. The earliest appearance of the name, so far as has been ascertained, in our records is about 1692. There are two branches of the family: one founded by Richard Capers and the other by William Capers, and these were probably brothers.^c Richard's descendants lived for

^a March 27, 1738, Richard Capers of Christ Church Parish confirmed a title unto James White and Sarah his wife, niece of the said Richard Capers and daughter of John Simes, deceased, to "All that tract or parcell of five hundred acres of Land which was formerly held or supposed to be held by the said John Simes deceased and was called Lebanon which formerly belonged to Captain William Capers deceased who was father of the said Richard Capers". (Mesne Conveyance Office, Charleston County, Book T, p. 356.)

April 9, 1750, Richard Capers, of Christ Church Parish, Berkeley County, S. C., planter, conveyed to Daniel Huger 100 acres, part of a tract of 700 acres in Christ Church Parish formerly belonging to William Capers, father of said Richard, "the said seven hundred acres of land was devised by the last will & testament of said William Capers to his only son Richard Capers aforesaid". (M. C. O., C. C., Book G G, p. 189.) On March 9, 1715, Hannah White, sole executrix of John White, had conveyed this 700 acres to "Capt. William Capers", of Berkeley County, planter. (M. C. O., C. C., Book V 5, p. 391.) He was probably a captain of militia.

^b Several authorities have stated that the Capers family was a Huguenot one, but the Huguenot naturalization list contains no such name, and there is no other evidence to show that it was a Huguenot family, but the name is evidently English.

^c March 15, 1694/5, "Mary Capers Widdow Relict and Administratrix of Richard Capers Planter Late of this province Deceased. Mr William Capers. & Mr William Chapman all of Charles Town in Berkley County" gave bond to Governor Blake for Mrs. Capers's faithful administration of the estate. (Probate Court Records, Charleston County, Book 1692-93, p. 194.)

several generations on St. Helena Island, while William's descendants lived for several generations in Christ Church Parish and vicinity. It is of the latter's descendants that this genealogy treats.

Captain William Capers, who was long a vestryman of Christ Church Parish^d, *m.* Mary —, and *d.* about 1718. His widow *d.* April, 1720.^e

Issue :

- 1 I. Mary Capers, *b.* May 6, 1696.^f
- 2 II. William Capers, *b.* Dec. 15, 1698^g; predeceased his father.^h
- 3 III. Elizabeth Capers, *b.* June 5, 1700.ⁱ
- 4 IV. Sarah Capers, *b.* April 5, 1701.^j
- 5 V. Richard Capers, *b.* April 28, 1712.^k

1.

Mary Capers [William^l], *b.* May 6, 1696; *m.* John Simes,¹ who was buried Aug. 30, 1716*; *m.* again, Oct. 24, 1717,* Thomas Boone^m, who *d.* Nov. 2, 1749.*

^d Minutes of the Vestry. His name disappears from the minutes about 1818, and in 1820 his widow died.

^e "Mary Capers, widow, was buried April 28th Anno Domini 1720."—MS. copy Christ Church Parish register in collection of S. C. H. S.

^f "Mary Capers daughter of William & Mary Capers was born May 6th A. D. 1696."—*Ibid.*

^g "William Capers son of William & Mary Capers was born December 15 A D 1698"—*Ibid.*

^h The will of William Capers designated Richard Capers as "his only son". (See extract from deed of April 9, 1750 in note *a.*)

ⁱ "William Capers Junr" was a witness to a deed from Isaac Motte, administrator of John A. Motte, to Charles Hill, June 26, 1712. (P. C. R., C. C. Miscellaneous Records 1714-1717, p. 9.)

^j "Elizabeth Capers daughter of William & Mary Capers was born June 5th A D 1700."—MS. copy C. C. P. R., S. C. H. S.

^k "Sarah Capers Daughter of William & Mary Capers was born April 5 A. D. 1701."—*Ibid.*

^l "Richard Capers son of William Capers & Mary his wife was born April 28th A D 1712 & Baptized March ye 28th 1714."—*Ibid.*

¹ See note *a* wherein it is stated that Sarah Simes, daughter of John was niece of Richard Capers, son of "Captain William Capers." The Christ Church Parish register records the birth of Sarah, daughter of "John and Mary Simes".

* Christ Church Parish Register.

^m In his will he mentions his "Brother Richard Capers".

Issue : First husband.

- 6 I. Mary Simes, *b.* Jany. 13, 1715.*
- 7 II. Sarah Simes, *b.* Aug. 20, 1716*; *m.*, Jany. 30, 1737*, James White.
- Second husband.
- 8 III. John Boone, *b.* Feb. 25, 1720*; buried Dec. 15, 1721.*
- 9 IV. Thomas Boone, *b.* March 4, 1723*; *m.*, Nov. 23, 1741,* Susannah Croft (See April magazine, p. 132).
- 10 V. Susannah Boone, *b.* Jany. 9, 1726*; *m.*, May 14, 1745, Rev. Levi Durand.*
- 11 VI. William Boone, *b.* April 12, 1728.*
- 12 VII. Paty Boone, *b.* June 16, 1730; *d.* July 7, 1739.*
- 13 VIII. Capers Boone, *b.* Aug. 23, 1732*; member second Provincial Congress of South Carolina, August 1775–March 1776.
- 14 IX. John Boone, *b.* Oct. 9, 1734*; *d.* Jany. 6, 1777.*

5.

Richard Capers [William¹.], *b.* April 28, 1712; *m.*, May 17, 1730, Ann Sinklerⁿ (or perhaps Sinclair), who *d.* July 15, 1739^o; *m.* again, Jany. 8, 1741, Elizabeth Bonhoste^p,

ⁿ "Richard Capers was married to Ann Sinckler, May ye 17th A. D. 1730."—MS. copy C. C. P. R., S. C. H. S.

^o "1739 Ann, the wife of Richard Capers, Departed this Life July 15th, Anno Domini 1739—interred ye 16th."—Ibid.

^p "Richard Capers to Elizabeth Bonhoste, spinster, January 8th A. D. 1741."—Ibid.

March 27, 1748, Richard Capers et al, executors of the estate of George Bennison, of Christ Church Parish, deceased, conveyed to Richard l'On a plantation of 500 which "John Bonhoist" had conveyed to George Bennison, July 4, 1722. (M. C. O., Book G. G., p. 49.)

who *d.* — 174—; *m.* again, Aug. 2, 1744, Mary Ann Maybank^a; *d.* about 1774.^r

Issue : First wife.

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| 15 | i. | Elizabeth Capers, <i>b.</i> Oct. 3, 1731. ^s |
| 16 | ii. | William Capers, <i>b.</i> Nov. 26, 1732. ^t |
| 17 | iii. | Richard Capers, <i>b.</i> 173—. |
| 18 | iv. | Gabriel Capers, <i>b.</i> 173—. |

16.

William Capers [Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* Nov. 26, 1732, *m.*, Dec. 4, 1753, Catharine Dutarque^u, dau. of John Dutarque, of the parish of St. Thomas and St. Denis; probably *d.* before 1774 (See note ^r).

Issue :

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| 19 | i. | William Capers. <i>b.</i> — 175—; <i>d.</i> unm.
between May 7, 1779 and Nov. 28, 1785. ^v |
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^a "Richard Capers to Mary Ann Maybank, August 2, A D 1744."—MS. copy C. C. P. R., S. C. H. S.

In the deed of April 9, 1750, cited in note ^a, her name is spelled in three different ways: once "Maryan", once "Marryan" and in all other instances "Marian".

^r "His will, made Jany. 12, 1774, mentions son Gabriel; grandson William, son of son William; grandsons Sinclair and William (minors) sons of son Richard. (Probate Court Records, C. C., Book 1774-78, p. 57.)

^s "Elizabeth Capers the daughter of Richard Capers & Anne his wife was born October 3d Anno Domini 1731."—MS. copy C. C. P. R., S. C. H. S.

^t "William the son of Richard & Anne Capers was born November 26 A D 1732."—*Ibid.*

^u *Annals and Parish Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis Parish, 1680-1884* (Charleston, S. C., 1884), pp 28 and 30.

^v The will of "Capt John Dutarque", made Aug. 9, 1766, and proved Jany. 2, 1767, provides for the education of his grandson William Capers. (P. C. R., C. C., Book 1760-67, p. 639.)

The will of William Capers, made May 7, 1779, and proved Nov. 28, 1785, leaves all of his property to his aunt, Mrs. Martha Wigfall. A reference to the St. Thomas and St. Denis register shows that his mother had a sister Martha Dutarque, *bap.* March 9, 1752; *m.*, Aug. 1, 1771, Benjamin Wigfall.

17.

Richard Capers [Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* — — 173—; *m.*, — — 175—, Martha Bordeaux (?); probably *d.* before 1774 (See note *r*).

Issue :

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| 20 | I. William Capers, <i>b.</i> Oct. 13, 1758. ^w |
| 21 | II. George Sinclair Capers, <i>d.</i> 1809. |

18.

Gabriel Capers [Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* — — 173—; *m.*, Nov., 1767, Martha Witherston^x, who *d.* in Sept., 1776; *m.* again, Nov. 11, 1777, Sarah Lloyd^y (*d.* March 26, 1808), of Charles Town; *d.* between March 6, 1799 and Oct. 21, 1802^z. He was a member of the first Provincial Congress of South Carolina, January-August 1775, from Christ Church Parish^{aa}, and was appointed by that Congress one of the Committee for Carrying into Effect the Continental Association in his parish^{bb}; was reëlected to the second Provincial

^w "William, son of Wm & Martha Capers, *b.* Oct. 13. 1758."—Extract furnished by Bishop Ellison Capers from his mother's Bible. See also Wightman's *Life of William Capers, D. D.* (Nashville, 1858), p. 13, the autobiography of Bishop William Capers. The Bishop also stated in that autobiography (p. 12) that his grandfather, Richard Capers (17), had but two sons, William and George Sinclair, and no daughter and that he died many years before his father, Richard Capers (5).

^x "Mr. Gabriel Capers, to Miss Martha Witherston."—Marriage announcements in *The South-Carolina Gazette; and Country Journal*, Tues., Dec. 1, 1767.

^y MS. diary of Col. Isaac Hayne, the Revolutionary martyr.

^z Will, made March 6, 1799, and proved Oct. 21, 1802, mentions daughters Catherine, Mary, Martha, Sarah and Elizabeth.

^{aa} *The South Carolina Gazette*, Jan. 23, 1775. Mc Crady's *History of South Carolina Under the Royal Government*, p. 804. Moultrie's *Memoirs of the American Revolution*, vol. I, p. 15.

^{bb} *The South Carolina Gazette*, Feb. 13, 1775. Moultrie's *Memoirs of the American Revolution*, vol I, p. 41.

Congress, August 1775-March 26, 1776 ^{cc}, and from March 26, 1776 to October 1776 was a member of the General Assembly of South Carolina.^{dd} After the fall of Charles Town in May 1780 he accepted British protection and a British commission (major of militia, probably) and on that account his property was sequestrated by the Jacksonborough Assembly of 1782.^{ee}

Issue :

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| 22 | i. Catherine Capers, <i>m.</i> Hugh Paterson; <i>d.</i> March 30, 1808. ^{ff} |
| 23 | ii. Mary Capers, <i>d.</i> unm. Oct. 21, 1812 (?) ^{gg} |
| 24 | iii. Martha Capers, <i>m.</i> , Nov. 29, 1810, Hugh Paterson. ^{hh} |
| 25 | iv. Sarah Capers, <i>m.</i> David Jervey, M. D. |
| 26 | v. Elizabeth Capers, <i>m.</i> (?) Maurice Simons, ⁱⁱ sometime Register of Mesne Conveyances of Charleston District; <i>d. s. p.</i> |

^{cc} *The South Carolina Gazette*, Sept. 7, 1775.

^{dd} Journal of the second session of the second Provincial Congress of South Carolina, Feb.-March, 1776, p. 152.

^{ee} *Acts of the General Assembly of South Carolina* (Jacksonborough, 1782), p. 38.

^{ff} "Died, in Christ Church Parish, on Saturday, 26th ult. Mrs. SARAH CAPERS, relict of Gabriel Capers, Esq. of said Parish. And, in this city, on Wednesday, 30th ult. Mrs. CATHARINE PATERSON, wife of Mr. Hugh Paterson, merchant, and eldest daughter of the said Gabriel Capers."—*The Times*, Charleston, S. C., Tues., April 5, 1808.

^{gg} "Departed this life, on the 21st ult. Miss MARY CAPERS, of this city, in the 39th year of her age, after a long and lingering illness."—*City Gazette and Commercial Daily Advertiser*, Nov. 10, 1812.

^{hh} "Married, on Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Dr. Hollingshead, Mr. HUGH PATERSON, merchant, to Miss MARTHA CAPERS, daughter of the late Gabriel Capers, Esq. of Christ Church Parish."—*Charleston Courier*, Mon., Dec. 3, 1810.

ⁱⁱ Yeadon's genealogy of "The Marion Family", *Simms's Magazine*, vol. II, p. 53.

20.

William Capers [Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* in St. Thomas's Parish Oct. 13, 1758; *m.*, Sept. 10^{jj}, 1783, Mary Singeltary^{kk} (*b.* Nov. 6, 1766^{ll}), daughter of John Singeltary, who *d.* March, 1792^{mm}; *m.* again, Nov. 11, 1793ⁿⁿ, Mary Wragg, of Georgetown, who *d.* Feb. 7, 1801^{oo}; *m.* again, May 15, 1803, Mrs. Hannah (Coachman) Postell, widow of Col. Jehu Postell^{pp}; *d.* on his plantation, "Woodland", on the High Hills of the Santee, Sumter District, S. C., Dec. 7, 1812.^{qq} He was commissioned lieutenant in

^{jj} Date supplied by Bishop Ellison Capers from his mother's family Bible.

^{kk} "MARRIED] Mr. *William Capers*, of Christ-Church Parish, to Miss *Mary Singeltary*, daughter of *John Singeltary*, Esq; of St. Thomas's Parish."—*The Gazette of the State of South-Carolina*, Wednesday, Sept. 10, 1783.

^{ll} Tombstone at Cainhoy. Also record furnished by Bishop Ellison Capers from his mother's Bible.

^{mm} Tombstone at Cainhoy.

ⁿⁿ Authority of Mrs. A. J. Stokes, Charleston, S. C., a descendant.

^{oo} "Died, on Saturday evening last, Mrs. *Mary Capers*, the amiable consort of Mr. William Capers. Her exit is much lamented by her friends and severely felt by her relatives."—*The Times, City Gazette & Merchant's Evening Advertiser*, Charleston, Sat., Feb. 14, 1801.

^{pp} "Married, near Georgetown, (S. C.) at Rural Hall, the 15th inst. by the Rev. Hugh Fraser, major WILLIAM CAPERS, of Waccamaw, to Mrs. HANNAH POSTELL, of Black river, relict of the late colonel Jehu Postell."—*The Times*, Charleston, Sat., May 28, 1803.

qq "OBITUARY.

"Died, on the 7th ult. at his plantation, in Sumter District, Major WILLIAM CAPERS, a faithful, brave and active officer of the revolution: a patriotic and truly republican citizen; a man of amiable character in all the relations of life.

"Major CAPERS was early and decisive in espousing his country's interests, as he was constant and courageous to defend her rights. At the battle of Fort Moultrie he behaved with so much bravery and good conduct, as laid a foundation for the solid friendship that ever after subsisted between him and our illustrious MARION, as well as for the high notice of others, officers of distinction in the army. He was active in defending this city, not only in that battle, but also during

the 2nd South Carolina Continental Regiment (Motte's) Feb. 24, 1778^{rr}, served through the Georgia campaign and the siege of Savannah, and resigned in Jan'y. 1780.^{ss} He then entered the militia where he served to the end of the war in Marion's brigade, attaining the rank of captain. One fight in which his company and that of his brother Sinclair attacked a party of British and Tories on the Georgetown road near Whitehall is described in Johnson's *Traditions of the Revolution*, p. 583. He first lived on his plantation "Bull's Head", St. Thomas's Parish, but subsequently moved to a plantation, "Bellevue", in Georgetown District^{tt}, and later to "Woodland" plantation, Sumter District; was Inspector, with the rank of major, of the 6th brigade (Brigadier Gens. P. Horry, 1802, Robt. Conway) of South Carolina militia,

all the time that it was besieged, and was a companion of the brave and good Major HUGER in the danger which proved the death of that very worthy and much lamented officer—There was scarce a battle of any distinction fought during the whole revolution, in this State, in which Major Capers was not; and in all he was the same—signalized more by his courage, patience and conduct, than by any marks of office.

"Independence secured and peace restored, he was called to the Legislature of the State; where, acting from the same principle, he was had in like honor as in war. But he disdained to serve himself under cover of his country's name; and when he thought that to be in office was to be in interest he declined to serve."

* * * * "By his neighbors, who were generally poor, he was better known as *Father* Capers than as *Major*, and so he was commonly called. As a husband and a father, the overwhelming sorrow of his widow and nine children feelingly speaks his worth—and as a master he was mild and merciful."

* * * * "In his illness (untill the morning before he died) he was generally delirious". * * * * "On the morning of the 6th ult. his senses were suddenly restored, and he began instantly to speak of his decease at hand".—*City Gazette and Commercial Daily Advertiser*, Charleston, Wed., Jan'y. 13, 1813.

^{rr} Year Book, City of Charleston, 1895, p. 332.

^{ss} Monthly return of 2d Regiment, made Jan'y. 31, 1780. Original in collection of S. C. H. S.

^{tt} July 11th 1793 Rev. William Hamet conveyed to William Capers, of Georgetown, planter, and others, trustees, a lot for the purpose of erecting a church thereon. (Records M. C. O., C. C.)

1802—1809. (For a longer sketch see Wightman's *Life of Bishop Capers*.)

Issue : First wife.

- 27 I. Sarah Capers, *b.* 1784; *m.* LeGrand Guerry, of Sumter Dist., who *d.* in 1811; *m.* again, Rev. Thomas D. Glenn, of Sumter Dist. (Issue by both marriages.)
- 28 II. Gabriel Capers.
- 29 III. Mary Singeltary Capers, *d.* young.
- 30 IV. William Capers, *b.* Jan. 26, 1790.
- 31 V. John Singeltary Capers, *b.* 1792.

Second wife.

- 32 VI. Samuel Wragg Capers, *b.* March 5, 1797.
- 33 VII. Elizabeth Capers, *d.* young.
- 34 VIII. Mary Capers.
- 35 IX. Henrietta Capers.

Third wife.

- 36 X. LeGrand Guerry Capers.
- 37 XI. Benjamin Huger Capers.
- 38 XII. Richard Coachman Capers.

21.

George Sinclair^{uu} Capers [Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* — — 175—.

He was a captain of militia in Marion's brigade of South Carolina militia and State regulars. History records two actions in which he was engaged. On one occasion he headed one of Marion's scouting parties of twelve men into St. Thomas's Parish and encountered a party of twenty-six British "Black Dragoons" and cut them to pieces. (James's

^{uu} The Christ Church Parish register gives the name of his grand mother Capers as "Ann Sinckler" (See 5). but among the founders of the St. Andrew's Society in 1729-30 (Year Book, City of Charleston 1894) was Dr. George Sinclair who was probably his great-grandfather. This supposition is based purely on the fact of his first name having been George Sinclair.

Marion, p. 163.) Mention has been made of the other action in the foregoing sketch of his brother William (20). He died in Sumter District, S. C., in 1809 (Wightman's *Life of Bishop Capers*, p. 177), and his widow died in 1813 (*Ibid*). I have been unable to ascertain whether he left issue or not.

25.

Sarah Capers [Gabriel ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *m.*, Feb. 26, 1806^{vv}, David Jervey, M. D. (*b.* Aug. 25, 1775; *d.* 1851); *d.* 1848.

Issue :*

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| 39 | I. | Thomas Hall Jervey, <i>b.</i> Jany. 1807; <i>m.</i> , Jany. 3, 1833 ^{ww} , Angelina Dorrel; <i>d.</i> 1872. (Issue.) |
| 40 | II. | James Jervey, <i>m.</i> Susan Sarah Evans. (Issue.) |
| 41 | III. | Gabriel Capers Jervey, <i>m.</i> Eliza H. Capers, dau. John Singeltary Capers (31); killed at First Manassas. (Issue.) |
| 42 | IV. | Richard L. Jervey, <i>m.</i> and had one dau. who <i>d.</i> unm. |
| 43 | V. | Maurice Simons Jervey, <i>m.</i> Martha Fraser; <i>d.</i> s. p. |
| 44 | VI. | Grace Hall Jervey, <i>d.</i> unm. |
| 45 | VII. | Annie Jervey, <i>d.</i> unm. |

^{vv} "Married in Christ Church Parish on Wednesday last, by the Rev. Daniel McCalla, Dr. DAVID JERVEY, to Miss SARAH CAPERS, daughter of Gabriel Capers, esq. deceased."—*Charleston Courier*, Sat., March 1, 1806. (A Jervey family Bible gives the same information.)

*Data furnished by descendants.

^{ww} "Married.

"On Thursday Morning last, by Rev. Dr. McDowall, Mr. THOMAS JERVEY of Christ Church Parish, to Miss ANGELINE youngest daughter of R. Dorrill, Esq. of this City."—*The Charleston Mercury*, Tuesday, Jany. 8, 1833.

28.

Gabriel Capers [William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* ——— 178—; *m.*, ——— 18——, Ann Humphries, dau. of Rev. Thomas Humphries, of Jeffers's Creek, Darlington District, S. C.; removed to Louisiana and died Ocean Springs, Miss., 1867. Several of his children returned to South Carolina.

Issue :^{xx}

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| 46 | I. | Thomas Humphries Capers. |
| 47 | II. | Eliza Capers. |
| 48 | III. | Mary Singeltary Capers, <i>b.</i> ——— 1815. |
| 49 | IV. | Wesley Coke Capers. |
| 50 | V. | Susan Capers, <i>d.</i> unm. |
| 51 | VI. | Gabriel Capers. |
| 52 | VII. | Robert Francis Withers Capers. |
| 53 | VIII. | Stephen Olin Capers. |
| 54 | IX. | John Singeltary Capers. |

30.

William Capers [William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* on his father's Bull's Head plantation, St. Thomas's Parish, Charleston District, S. C., Jany. 26, 1790*; was educated at Dr. Roberts' academy, near Stateburg, Sumter District, and at the South Carolina College; entered the itinerancy of the Methodist Episcopal Church Nov. 25, 1808; *m.*, Jany. 13, 1813*, Anna White (*b.* Feb. 20, 1795*), dau. of John White, Esq., of Georgetown, deceased, and Anna, his wife, who *d.* Dec. 30, 1815; *m.* again, Oct. 31, 1816*, Susan McGill (*b.* Aug. 31, 1797), dan. of William

^{xx} Data furnished by Mrs. A Lou Walpole, Mullet Hall, S. C.

* Data furnished by Bishop Ellison Capers from his mother's Bible. See also Wightman's *Life of Bishop Capers*.

and Ann McGill, of Kershaw District, and adopted dau. of Mrs. Peter Horry, widow of Gen. Peter Horry; was elected, May 7, 1846, a bishop by the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held at Petersburg, Va., and was consecrated at the Washington Street Church, Columbia, May 14th following; *d.* at Anderson, S. C., Jany. 29, 1855, aged 65 years and 3 days, and was buried in the church-yard of the Washington Street M. E. Church, South, Columbia. Over his grave is an oblong structure of granite covered by a marble slab, in the centre of which rests a pedestal supporting an obelisk of Italian marble, bearing appropriate inscriptions. There is also a stained glass window dedicated to his memory in Bethel Church, Charleston. (See autobiography in Wightman's *Life of Bishop Capers*.)

Issue : * First wife.

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| 55 | i. Anna White Singeltary Capers, <i>b.</i> Jany. 18, 1814; <i>m.</i> , Dec. 23, 1830, Rev. Wm. Holmes Ellison, D. D., a distinguished Methodist minister, sometime Prest. Wesleyan Female College, Macon, Ga. (Issue.) |
| 56 | ii. Theodotus William Capers, <i>b.</i> Dec. 30, 1815; <i>d.</i> young.
Second wife. |
| 57 | iii. Francis Asbury Capers, <i>b.</i> Dec. 26, 1817; <i>d.</i> young. |
| 58 | iv. Francis Withers Capers, <i>b.</i> Aug. 8, 1819. |
| 59 | v. Susan Bethia Capers, <i>b.</i> March 11, 1821; <i>m.</i> , July 23, 1843, Prof. Geo. W. W. Stone, of Emory College, Oxford, Ga. Resides at Oxford. |
| 60 | vi. Esther Anslie Withers Capers, <i>b.</i> Dec. 7, 1822; <i>d.</i> young. |
| 61 | vii. William Tertius Capers, <i>b.</i> at Milledgeville, Ga., Jany 20, 1825; entered Methodist |

* Data furnished by Bishop Ellison Capers from his mother's Bible.

- itinerancy in 1844; *m.*, Dec. 20, 1853, Lucy Frances Austin. Was twice married. Was made D. D. Died Sept. 10, 1894, and was buried at Greenville, S. C. (Left no issue.)
- 62 VIII. Sarah Ann Branham Capers, *b.* Jany. 13, 1827; *m.*, Jany. 2, 1849, Wm. Montague Sage, of Charleston, S. C. (No living issue.)
- 63 IX. Harriet Emma Maria Haslope Capers, *b.* July 31, 1830; *m.*, Aug. 8, 1848, Rev. Samuel Barksdale Jones, a distinguished Methodist minister of the South Carolina Conference. (Issue.)
- 64 X. Mary Singeltary Capers, *b.* June 28, 1833; *m.*, 1855, Peter Fayssoux Stevens, subsequently bishop of the Reformed Episcopal Church. (Issue.)
- 65 XI. Henry Dickson Capers, *b.* June 2, 1835.
- 66 XII. Ellison Capers, *b.* Oct. 14, 1837.
- 67 XIII. Theodotus LeGrand Capers, *b.* Oct. 23, 1839, grad. with first honors in his class at college, June 1860, and was killed at Second Manassas, Aug. 30, 1862.

31.

John Singeltary Capers [William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* 1792; *m.* Martha E. White ^{yy}, who *d.* 1862; *d.* —.

^{yy} The will of Martha E. Capers, made Oct. 31, 1860, proved June 11, 1862, mentions son William Capers; Eliz H. Jervey, wife of Gabriel C. Jervey; grand-children Sarah Capers Jervey and William Capers Jervey; and mother Ann White.

Issue :^{zz}

- 68 I. William Capers. (Issue.)
 69 II. Eliza H. Capers, *m.* Gabriel Capers Jervey
 (41).

32.

Samuel Wragg Capers [William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* in Georgetown District, March 5, 1797; *m.*, May, 1817, Elizabeth Humphries, who *d.*; *m.* again, Oct., 1826, Sarah M. Brandt, who *d.*; *m.* again, Jan'y. 11, 1831, Abathiah Harvey Thornton, who still survives, residing at Camden, S. C.; *d.* June 22, 1855, and was buried at Camden. He was a Methodist minister, having entered the itinerancy in 1828.

Issue :^{aaa} First wife.

- 70 I. Samuel E. Capers, *b.* 1818.
 Second wife.
 71 II. Margaret Capers, *d.* when 3 years old.
 Third wife.
 72 III. Richard Thornton Capers.
 73 IV. Abathiah Elizabeth Capers.
 74 V. Edmund LeGrand Capers, *d.* in infancy.
 75 VI. Sidney Williams Capers.
 76 VII. John Summerfield Capers, killed at Appomattox C. H., April, 1865.
 77 VIII. Mary Wragg Capers.
 78 IX. Sarah Ann Gamewell Capers.
 79 X. Caroline Martha Michel Capers, *d.* 1890.
 80 XI. Emma Jane Dunlap Capers, *d.* 1878.
 81 XII. Edwin Benjamin Capers.
 82 XIII. Adella Henrietta Capers, *d.* in infancy.

^{zz} There might have been other children, for this will is the only record of this branch of the family the writer has been able to procure.

^{aaa} Data furnished by a descendant.

36.

LeGrand Guerry Capers [William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* in Sumter District, S. C., Feb. 8, 1808; was a merchant in Charleston; *m.*, June 1, 1829, Abigail Swift (*b.* Oct. 16, 1810), who *d.* Aug. 30, 1846; *m.* again, April 27, 1851, at San Antonio, Texas, Amelia Freeloove Layton (*b.* Aug. 20, 1814). He served on Gen. Worth's staff during the war with Mexico. He *d.* Jan. 29, 1868.

Issue :^{bbb} First wife.

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| 83 | I. | Abigail Capers, <i>m.</i> — Swift. |
| 84 | II. | LeGrand Guerry Capers, Confed. Surgeon,
<i>d.</i> at Vicksburg, Miss. (Issue.) |
| 85 | III. | John Edwards Capers. |
| 86 | IV. | Martha Glover Capers. |
| 87 | V. | Richard Coachman Capers. |
| 88 | VI. | Sarah Capers, <i>m.</i> Gen. Swift, U. S. A. |
| 89 | VII. | Child, <i>d.</i> young. |
| 90 | VIII. | Child, <i>d.</i> young. |
| 91 | IX. | William Worth Capers, <i>b.</i> Aug. 30, 1844. |
| 92 | X. | Child, <i>d.</i> young.
Second wife. |
| 93 | XI. | Amelia Freeloove Capers, <i>m.</i> , J. Lefferts
Thorn. |
| 94 | XII. | Josephine Capers, <i>m.</i> A. V. Young. |
| 95 | XIII. | Francis LeGrand Capers, <i>b.</i> May 21, 1853;
<i>m.</i> , June 3, 1880, Emma N. Cole, of
Brooklyn, N. Y. Lives Denver, Col. |
| 96 | XIV. | Mary Connall Capers, <i>m.</i> Henry M. Newton. |

37.

Benjamin Huger Capers [William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* 18—; entered the Methodist itinerancy in 1826 and was located in 1836. He married and removed

^{bbb} Data furnished by Mrs. C. T. R. Mathews, Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y.

to Mississippi and his children and grand-children live in that State now.

58.

Francis Withers Capers [William ⁵, William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* in Savannah, Ga., Aug 8, 1819; grad. College of Charleston with first honors in 1839; was elected, Feb. 24, 1843, 2d professor of the Citadel Academy in Charleston, with the rank of lieutenant, subsequently became a captain, but resigned in Nov. 1847 to become professor of ancient languages in Transylvania University, Ky.; succeeded Major R. W. Colecock as Superintendent of the Citadel Aedy. in 1853, with the rank of major; resigned in Sept., 1859, and accepted the command of the Georgia Military Academy at Marietta; was made, during the States' Rights war, brigadier general of one of the Georgia militia brigades, and was engaged in engineer service in Northern Georgia, and laid out and constructed the works around Resaca behind which Gen. Jos. E. Johnston delivered battle in May 1864; taught school in Augusta, Ga., after the war, and in Oct. 1867 became professor of mathematics in the College of Charleston which position he held until within two years of his death in 1892. He *m.*, Aug. 24, 1848, Hannah Hawk Bascom, dau. of Alpheus and Cassandra Bascom, of Ky., who *d.* 1862; *m.* again, 1863, Susan R. Rutledge, of Charleston; *d.* Jan'y. 12, 1892, and was buried in Bethel Churchyard.^{ccc}

Issue :^{ddd} First wife.

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| 97 | I. | William Bascom Capers, <i>b.</i> Dec. 19, 1849. |
| 98 | II. | Francis Withers Capers, <i>b.</i> July 13, 1852. |
| 99 | III. | Alpheus Bordeaux Capers, <i>b.</i> July 6, 1854. |
| 100 | IV. | Emma Singeltary Capers, <i>b.</i> July 21, 1856. |

^{ccc} *The News and Courier*, Charleston, S. C., Wed., Jan'y. 13, 1892. Thomas's *History of the South Carolina Military Academy* (Charleston, 1892).

^{ddd} Data furnished by F. W. Capers, Esq., Augusta, Ga.

- 101 v. Mary Percival Capers, *b.* April 26, 1858; *d.* July 24, 1858.
- 102 vi. Clara Stewart Capers, *b.* Dec. 29, 1861; *m.* Dr. Laurence B. Owens, of Columbia, S. C. (Issue : Frank.)

65.

Henry Dickson Capers [William⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* June 2, 1835; *m.*, in Oxford, Ga., 1858, Mary E. Means, dau. of Dr. Alexander Means, of Georgia. (Issue.) He is the author of a novel, *Bellevue*, *Life and Times of C. G. Memminger*, and many newspaper and magazine articles.

66.

Ellison Capers [William⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* Oct. 14, 1837; grad. S. C. Military Academy Nov. 18, 1857, and made assistant professor of mathematics and belles lettres in that institution the year following his graduation; *m.*, Feb. 24, 1859, Charlotte Rebecca, fourth dau. of John Gendron and Catherine Marion Palmer, of "Cherry Grove" plantation, St. John's Berkeley, S. C.; asst. prof. math. S. C. M. A. 1859; was elected major of First Regt. of Rifles in autumn of 1860, and served with his regt. at Castle Pinckney, and on Morris, Sullivan's, James, and John's islands, and under Beauregard at capture of Ft. Sumter, and rose to rank of lt. col.; resigned in Nov. 1861 to assist Clement H. Stevens in raising a regt. for the war and when the regt. was raised he was made lt. col., and the regt. was mustered into Confederate service as 24th, S. C. Vol. Inf. April 1, 1862; became col. 24th upon the promotion of Col. Stevens in Jan. 1864; was commissioned brig. gen, March 1, 1865 and assigned to the command of the brigade formerly commanded by Gen. S. R. Gist; was elected Secretary of State of S. C. in Dec. 1866, and in

1867 entered the ministry of the P. E. Church, and was rector at Greenville, S. C., for twenty years; at Selma, Ala., one year and of Trinity Church, Columbia, S. C., for six years; was given D. D. in 1889 by Univ. of S. C., and on May 4, 1893, was unanimously elected bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, which position he now holds. Resides at Columbia, S. C. (See *Confederate Military History*, vol. V, South Carolina, p. 383 et seq. for longer sketch.)

Issue :^{eee}

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| 103 | I. | Catherine Marion Capers, <i>b.</i> at the Citadel, Charleston, March 2, 1860; <i>d.</i> in infancy. |
| 104 | II. | Francis Fayssoux Capers, <i>b.</i> at the Citadel, June 5, 1861; educated Patrick School, Greenville, Carolina Mil. Acad., Charlotte, N. C., and Univ. of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.; <i>m.</i> Emmala Keels, of Greenville, S. C. Resides in Greenville, and is Sec. & Treas. Piedmont Investment Co. (No issue.) |
| 105 | III. | Susan M ^c Gill Capers, <i>b.</i> in Columbia, S. C., Nov. 11, 1862; <i>d.</i> in infancy. |
| 106 | IV. | Mary Videau Marion Capers, <i>b.</i> in Oxford, Ga., July 17, 1864; educated Greenville Female Col. and St. Mary's, Raleigh, N. C.; <i>m.</i> Capt. Charles Booth Satterlee, 6th Arty., A. S. A., who <i>d.</i> at Honolulu, Hawaii, July 10, 1899. Resides Columbia, S. C. (Issue : two sons.) |
| 107 | V. | John Gendron Palmer ^{fff} Capers, <i>b.</i> April 17, 1866. |
| 108 | VI. | William Theodotus Capers, <i>b.</i> Aug. 9, 1867. |
| 109 | VII. | Ellison Capers, <i>b.</i> May 9, 1869. |

^{eee} Data furnished by Bishop Ellison Capers.

^{fff} Dropped the Palmer.

- 110 VIII. Walter Branham Capers, *b.* at the Rectory, Greenville, S. C., Aug. 8, 1870; educated Patrick School, Greenville, Furman Univ., Greenville, S. C. College and Va. Theol. Seminary. Rector Episcopal Ch. Columbia, Tenn.
- 111 IX. Charlotte Palmer Capers, *b.* at the Rectory, Greenville, Aug. 12, 1871; educated Greenville Female Col. and St. Mary's, Raleigh, N. C.; *m.* William Henry Johnson, of Charleston. (Issue: one son, James Reid Johnson, *b.* April 12, 1899.)

70.

Samuel E. Capers [Samuel Wragg⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* — — — 1818; *m.* ———; *d.* 1894.

Issue :

- 112 I. George Capers. Dead.
- 113 II. William Reynolds Capers. Dead.
- 114 III. Samuel Capers. Dead.
- 115 IV. Frank V. Capers.
- 116 V. Margaret Capers.

72.

Richard Thornton Capers [Samuel Wragg⁵, William, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], entered the Methodist itinerancy 1854 and was discontinued 1856; married Mary Hurd.

Issue :

- 117 I. Maynie Harvey Capers.
- 118 II. John Swinton Capers. Dead.
- 119 III. Annie Capers, *m.* Clifton Harvey.
- 120 IV. Sidney Capers. Dead.
- 121 V. Helen Capers.

73.

Abathiah Elizabeth Capers [Samuel Wragg⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *m.* Dr. F. L. Zemp, of Camden, S. C.

Issue :

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| 122 | I. | Francis L. Zemp, <i>m.</i> Emma Hamlin. |
| 123 | II. | William Harvey Zemp, <i>m.</i> Alice Brunson. |
| 124 | III. | Eugene Capers Zemp, <i>m.</i> Mary Blakeney. |
| 125 | IV. | Mary Adella Zemp, <i>m.</i> N. B. Rankin. |
| 126 | V. | Jessie Lee Zemp, <i>m.</i> John Arthur, who <i>d.</i> ;
<i>m.</i> again L. Means. |
| 127 | VI. | Charles Herbert Zemp, <i>d.</i> young. |
| 128 | VII. | Elizabeth Capers Zemp, <i>d.</i> young. |
| 129 | VIII. | Frank M. Zemp, <i>m.</i> Kate DeLoache. |
| 130 | IX. | Sidney Capers Zemp, <i>m.</i> Hattie Truesdale. |
| 131 | X. | Ernest Russell Zemp, grad. South Carolina
Military Academy 1890, and later obtained
M. D. from College of Physicians and Sur-
geons, Baltimore, Md. Married. |
| 132 | XI. | Annie Braxton Zemp, <i>m.</i> Dr. W. S. Stokes. |

75.

Sidney Williams Capers [Samuel Wragg⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *m.* Jessie Lee Darby, who *d.* (no living issue); *m.* again, 1874, Edith Wightman (*d.* 1886 ^{ggg}), dau. Bishop Wm. M. Wightman.

Issue :

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| 133 | I. | Maria Wightman Capers, <i>b.</i> 1875. |
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^{ggg} Will of Edith Wightman Capers, made Oct. 21, 1884, proved Nov. 4, 1886, mentions daughter Maria Wightman Capers and sister May L. Wightman. (Probate Court, Charleston County.)

77.

Mary Wragg Capers [Samuel Wragg⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *m.* Rev. C. Thomason.

Issue :

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| 134 | I. | Mary Thomason, <i>d.</i> when 3 years old. |
| 135 | II. | John Summerfield Thomason, <i>d.</i> young. |
| 136 | III. | Samuel Capers Thomason. |

78.

Sarah Ann Gamewell Capers [Samuel Wragg⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *m.* Rev. A. J. Stokes, D. D., of the S. C. Methodist Conference.

Issue :

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| 137 | I. | Lalla Capers Stokes, <i>m.</i> Rev. W. C. Kirkland. |
| 138 | II. | Emma J. D. Stokes, <i>m.</i> James Nelson.
(Issue : Abathiah Harvey Nelson, <i>m.</i> A. Wineberg.) |

91.

William Worth Capers [LeGrand Guerry⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* Aug. 30, 1844; *m.*, June 26, 1867, Ella Ferguson (*b.* Oct. 17, 1848).

Issue : hhh

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| 139 | I. | William Worth Capers, <i>b.</i> 1868. |
| 140 | II. | Louis Capers, <i>b.</i> 1869. |
| 141 | III. | Linda Dalavar Capers, <i>b.</i> 1872. |
| 142 | IV. | Ella Mande Capers, <i>b.</i> 1873. |
| 143 | V. | Grace Ferguson Capers, <i>b.</i> 1877. |
| 144 | VI. | Edna Mitchell Capers, <i>b.</i> 1878. |

hhh Data furnished by Mrs. C. T. R. Mathews, Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y.

- 145 VII. Marcia Ferguson Capers, *b.* 1879.
- 146 VIII. Mabel Swift Capers, *b.* 1881.
- 147 IX. LeGrand Capers, *b.* 1883.

97.

William Bascom Capers [Francis Withers ⁶, William ⁵, William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* Dec. 19, 1849; *m.*, April 3, 1879, Carrie B. Sibley, of Augusta, Ga.

Issue :iii

- 148 I. William B. Capers, *b.* March 16, 1880.
- 149 II. Sarah A. Capers, *b.* May 4, 1882.
- 150 III. Frank Capers, *b.* Oct. 15, 1884.
- 151 IV. Edward Amory Capers, *b.* Sept. 19, 1887;
d. young.
- 152 V. Carrie D. Capers, *b.* Aug. 22, 1896.

98.

Francis Withers Capers [Francis Withers ⁶, William ⁵, William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* July 13, 1852; *m.*, June 1, 1885, Henrietta Clark, of Macon, Ga. Resides Augusta, Ga.

Issue :iii

- 153 I. Marian Bascom Capers, *b.* April 4, 1886.
- 154 II. Frank W. Capers, *b.* June 5, 1887.
- 155 III. Ruth Clark Capers, *b.* Oct. 13, 1888.
- 156 IV. Osgood Clark Capers, *b.* Feb. 16, 1890.
- 157 V. Anderson Clark Capers, *b.* Dec. 6, 1892.
- 158 VI. Emma Jane Capers, *b.* Dec. 12, 1893.
- 159 VII. Myra D'Antignac Capers, *b.* Feb. 25, 1895.
- 160 VIII. Rutledge Mann Capers, *b.* June 2, 1899.

iii Data furnished by F. W. Capers, Esq., Augusta, Ga.

107.

John Gendron Capers [Ellison⁶, William⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* at "Box Cottage", Anderson, S. C., April 17, 1866; educated at Patrick's School, Greenville, Holy Communion Church Institute, Charleston, and the South Carolina Military Academy; admitted to the bar 1887; *m.*, Dec. 1888, Susan Keels, of Greenville, S. C., who *d.* March 1890; *m.* again, June 18, 1895, Lilla Trenholm; practiced law first in Greenville, where he was captain Butler Guards and major 3rd Battalion; School Commissioner, Greenville Co. 1888-1890; practiced law in Columbia, 1893-1895, and edited *Columbia Daily Journal*, and was captain of Columbia Zouaves; assistant U. S. Attorney, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., 1895-1901; appointed U. S. District Attorney for S. C., July 24, 1901, by President McKinley.

Issue : First wife.

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| 161 | i. | John Ellison Capers, died in infancy. |
| | | Second wife. |
| 162 | ii. | Charlotte Palmer Capers, <i>b.</i> Dec. 24, 1896. |
| 163 | iii. | John Gendron Capers, <i>b.</i> March 22, 1898;
<i>d.</i> March 26, 1899. |
| 164 | iv. | Frances Trenholm Capers. |

108.

William Theodotus Capers [Ellison⁶, William⁵, William⁴, Richard³, Richard², William¹.], *b.* at the Rectory, Greenville, S. C., Aug. 9, 1867; educated at Patrick's School, Farman University, the S. C. College and the Virginia Theological Seminary; *m.* Rebecca Bryan, of Augusta, Ga. Rector of Trinity Church, Vicksburg, Miss.

Issue :

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| 165 | i. | Bryan Capers. |
| 166 | ii. | Ellison Howe Capers. |
| 167 | iii. | William Capers. |
| 168 | iv. | Samuel Orr Capers. |

109.

Ellison Capers [Ellison ⁶, William ⁵, William ⁴, Richard ³, Richard ², William ¹.], *b.* May 9, 1869; educated at Patrick School, Greenville, Furman University and S. C. College; *m.* Charlotte Manigault Benbow, of Clarendon Co., S. C. Is Superintendent of Schools, Georgetown, S. C. Was unsuccessful candidate for State Superintendent of Education in 1900.

Issue :

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| 169 | I. | Ellison Capers. |
| 170 | II. | Emmala Frances Capers. |
| 171 | III. | Catherine Capers. |

ADDENDA.

The following record is taken from the Christ Church Parish register. All efforts to find out who "Amelia Capers" was the widow of have been futile; nor have the efforts to find out something of her subsequent career been any more successful :

"Peter Lequieu Bachellor & Amelia Capers, widow, were duly married by licence in Christ Church Parish according to the rites & ceremonies of the Church of England on the third day of July 1763 by the Rev. Samuel Drake."

The following records, supplied by Mr. James E. Jervey, of Sumter, S. C., came too late to be put in the proper place :

John Singeltary Capers (31) "was a Methodist preacher and died of malarial fever at Georgetown, S. C."

The children of John Singeltary Capers (31) and Martha E. White, his wife, were :

- I. John Singeltary Capers, a Methodist minister, who was killed by a runaway horse. Unmarried.
- II. Annie Capers, *m.* Josiah Doar. (Issue.)
- III. Eliza Henrietta Capers (69), *m.* Gabriel Capers Jervey (41).

Issue :

- i. James Edward Jervey } Resides Sumter, S. C.
- ii. William Capers Jervey } Twins.
Killed at Petersburg, Va.
- iii. Sarah Capers Jervey.
- iv. Annie Simmons Jervey.
- v. Sophia Jervey.
- vi. John Singeltary Jervey. Missing at Petersburg, Va.
- vii. Mary Capers Jervey.
- viii. Grace Hall Jervey.
- ix. Louis D. Jervey.
- x. Martha Jane Jervey.
- iv. William Capers (68), *m.* Sarah English.

Issue :

- i. Mary Capers.
- ii. Ansley Capers.
- iii. Mittie Capers.
- iv. John Singeltary Capers.
- v. William Capers.

The following records, supplied by Mrs. A. Lou Walpole, of Mullet Hall, S. C., came too late to be put in the proper place :

Thomas H Capers (46) entered the Methodist itinerancy in 1829 and was transferred to the Georgia Conference in 1830; *m.* in St. Louis, Mo., Miss Hamilton. Several children, two of whom are James Hamilton and William of Richmond, Va., and one of whom is Ella, who married and lives in Georgia. James Hamilton Capers has a son who also lives in Richmond and a daughter, Luna, who married Rev. Howard Sledd, of Virginia.

Eliza Capers (47) *m.*, about 1827, George Whitefield Ellis, and died four years ago. (Issue.)

Mary Singeltary Capers (48) *m.* in Macon, Ga., in 1831, Benjamin R. Warner, of Connecticut. Eight children were born to them, two of whom, Mrs. A. Lou Walpole

(widow of Horace E. Walpole, to whom she was *m.* in 1856, and who *d.* in 1887, leaving two children : Kate Seymour, who *m.* F. Y. Legaré, and Horace E., who *m.* Miss A. J. Hay) and Benjamin Horace Warner, bachelor, live on John's Island, S. C. Mrs. Warner *d.* in July 1897, in her 83d year.

Wesley Coke Capers (49), a book-keeper; fought in the war with Mexico and in the Confederate army. He *d.* twenty odd years ago, unmarried.

Gabriel Capers (51), a farmer; *m.* and had issue.

Robert Francis Withers Capers (52), a book-keeper; *m.* but left no issue.

Stephen Olin Capers (53), a minister; *d.* unm. (?)

John Singeltary Capers (54), a farmer; *m.* but *d.* without issue (?).

NOTES AND QUERIES.

Notes.

IRISH SETTLERS IN 1772.—“The same Day” [Saturday] “arrived here 160 Irish Settlers from Londonderry, in the Ship Ann, Captain Miller.”—*The South-Carolina Gazette*, Thursday, Oct. 1, 1772.

“Last Sunday upwards of 200 Irish Settlers arrived here, in the Snow James & Mary, Captain Workman, from Larne. Some other Vessels, with a greater Number on board, were soon to follow this.”—*The South-Carolina Gazette*, Thursday, Oct. 22, 1772.

NEGROES EXECUTED BY BURNING.—In his *History of South Carolina Under the Royal Government* Gen. McCrady mentions, on page 233, the case of a negro who was publicly burned to death in Charles Town, August 14, 1741, under the ancient law of England, imposed as a *lex taliones* by the Statute of Edward I, for setting fire to Mrs. Snowden’s house. Two more instances of such executions have been extracted from the gazettes, as follows :

“On Friday last two Negroes, viz. Dolly belonging to Mr. James Sands, and Liverpoole, belonging to Mr. William Price, were burnt on the Work-house Green, pursuant to the sentence that had been passed on them a fortnight before; the former for poisoning an infant of Mr. Sands’s, which died some time since, and attempting to put her mas’er out of the world the same way; and the latter (a Negro Doctor) for furnishing the means. The wench made a free confession, acknowledged the justice of her punishment, and died a penitent; but the fellow did neither. A mulatto named Dick, formerly a slave to Mr. d’Harriette, but afterwards manumised, who stands accused as instigator of these horrid crimes, has disappeared.”—*The South-Carolina Gazette Extraordinary*, Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1769.

“On Tuesday the 23d past was shot, in the Woods, about Half a Mile from his own House, at the Three Runs, and expired in two Hours after, Captain Lazarus Brown, formerly a Captain of Rangers

in the Service of this Government, and reckoned the tallest Man in this Province, being near Seven Feet high."—*The South-Carolina Gazette*, Thursday, July 2, 1772.

"It was not that notorious Felon Robert Prine, that lately killed Capt. Lazarus Brown. He was shot by one of his own Slaves, who has since been convicted and burnt alive."—*Ibid*, Thursday, July 30, 1772.

WILLIAM WILLIAMSON'S HUMOR.—The following advertisement by William Williamson, one of the members of the first Council of Safety of South Carolina, June–November, 1775, shows him to have been a man of humor :

"FOUND,

A Miniature Picture of a certain PERSONAGE; there is a strong presumptive proof that it is the property of a gentleman, who has had a considerable estate left him; and it is supposed, that from the first dawning of his reason, he has been assiduously instructed, to entertain the most exalted ideas of the original. The real owner may have the picture again, (as no man's property ought to be withheld from him) by applying to

William Williamson."—*The South-Carolina Gazette; And Country Journal*, Tuesday, May 2, 1769.

THE PENDLETON MESSENGER.—

Editor South Carolina Historical Quarterly :

The following notes in reference to the establishment of the old *Pendleton Messenger* by John C. Miller, taken from Dave U. Sloan's *Foggy Days and Now*, (1891), pp. 225-6, may be of interest in relation to the history of the newspaper press of South Carolina, viz :

"Miller started the first newspaper at old Pendleton, and called it 'Miller's Weekly Messenger'—a paper 12 by 14 inches in size; and one day the old man had gone to dinner and left the forms all ready to be struck, when Tolliver (sic) Lewis, a young lawyer, stepped into the office, took out an E from the heading, and put in an A, making it read, 'Miller's Weekly Messenger', and the old fellow did not find out the trick until the whole issue had been printed.

"The name of the paper was some time afterward changed to the *Pendleton Messenger*', and its size enlarged to 14 by 16 inches, price per annum \$3.00, cash, or \$3.50, credit. The press used was one that General Greene had in the Revolutionary War^a, and looked like an

^a I do not believe that Greene had a newspaper press with his army. Governor Rutledge had a press which he carried about with him and which was used to print his proclamations and other State papers, and at one time his government published *The Parker's Ferry Gazette* at

old wooden loom, such as the women used in those days, and two buckskin balls were used to ink the type.

"After Miller's death, Dr. F. W. Symmes became editor of the Pendleton Messenger, and 25 years later his son, Seb Symmes, removed the old outfit to Hartwell, Ga., and together with a printer named Hogan, started the Hartwell Messenger."

It is stated that Miller was a refugee from England, arriving in old Pendleton about the beginning of the last century, and also that he brought with him type and printing material.

Montgomery, Ala.

THOMAS M. OWEN.

SENATOR HUNTER'S RESIGNATION.—On page 146 of the April issue of this magazine the statement was made that Governor Charles Pinckney was elected by the Legislature, December 6, 1798, to fill out the unexpired term of Hon. John Hunter, resigned. Since then Senator Hunter's original letter of resignation has been seen in the office of the Secretary of State and the following copy made by the editor of this magazine :

Addressed :

Honl
the President of the
Senate of So: Carolina

November the 26th 1798

Sir

Finding it Inconvenient, to serve any Longer in the Senate of United States, I take the Liberty to Resign that appointment, to the Bodey from whom I Received it;

I have the Honor to be Sir
Your Obedient

Sevt.,

Honl the
President of the
Senate of So Carolina

John Hunter

Parker's Ferry. Governor Rutledge was at times with Greene's army, and it was on that account, perhaps, that the impression prevailed that it was Greene's printing press that printed so many papers and documents during 1781-1782. And it seemed to have been the fad in the days just following the Revolution to credit Greene with everything good that was done in these parts in those two years, no matter who did it.—Editor.

Endorsed: Letter from the Honble John
Hunter Esqr respecting his
resignation as Senator in Congress
dated 26 November 1798.
Committee
General Barnwell
General Washington
Col. Postell

Queries.

BURN.—Samuel Burn came from Alnwick, on the borders of Scotland and England. It is said his wife was born in Charleston, and was the step-daughter of a Mr. Adamson. His daughter, Dorothea M. Burn, was the second wife of Dr. Richard Furman, who died in 1825, after having been, for many years, the Baptist pastor in Charleston. After Mr. Burn's death, his widow married Mr. Charles Mc Donald, who (after marriage) was sent in a prison ship from Charleston to Philadelphia during the Revolution. Among the children by the Mc Donald marriage, was Charles J. Mc Donald, a prominent Governor of Georgia. Can any of your readers give information concerning the ancestry of Mrs. Mc Donald, formerly Mrs. Burn?—Mc Donald Furman, Privateer, S. C.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

TRANSACTIONS OF THE ALABAMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 1898-99. Edited by Thomas McAdory Owen, Secretary. Vol. III. Tuscaloosa, 1899.

Within the last three years the Alabama Historical Society has taken on a new lease of life, and under the able management of Mr. Owen is doing much to preserve the historical records of Alabama. The present volume contains, besides a very interesting number of papers presented at the annual meeting of the Society held at Tuscaloosa June 19, 1899, the "proceedings and papers of the Spanish

Evacuation Centennial" held at St. Stephens, Ala., May 6, 1899. The proceedings of the Spanish Evacuation Centennial seem out of place in a volume of transactions of the Alabama Historical Society, and, although they could very properly be issued as a publication of the Society, it appears to us that they should have been issued as a separate publication. In the foot-note sketch of Charles Edgeworth Jones on page 128 it was wrong to speak of Major Joseph Jones as falling at the siege of Savannah October 9, 1779. It was Major John Jones who fell on that day, while serving on Gen. McIntosh's staff. (See the April issue of this magazine, p. 141, and the July issue, pp. 243-4.) The volume contains 251 pages, with a full index of 17 pages.

REPORT OF THE ALABAMA HISTORY COMMISSION to the Governor of Alabama, December 1, 1900. Edited by Thomas McAdory Owen, Chairman. Vol. I. Montgomery, 1901.

One of the fruits of Mr. Owen's work as Secretary of the Alabama Historical Society was the establishment by the State Legislature of Alabama of the Alabama History Commission. This Commission was similar to that created by the State Legislature of South Carolina in 1891, when it was desired to procure transcripts of the papers in the British Public Record Office, London. But the work of the Alabama History Commission extended further than that of ours. It was directed under the Act creating it "to make a full, detailed and exhaustive examination of all the sources and materials, manuscript, documentary and record of the history of Alabama from the earliest times, whether in domestic or foreign archives or repositories, or in private hands, including the records of Alabama troops in all wars in which they have participated, and also of the location and present condition of battlefields, historic houses and buildings, and other places and things of historic interest and importance in the State". The Act further provided for the printing and binding in cloth of the report of the Commission. The report contains 447 pages, well indexed. It shows the sources from which the historical material relating to Alabama may be drawn. This report was so well received by the Legislature of Alabama at its last session that a department of archives and history was forthwith created, and

Mr. Owen has been made Director. This department is now engaged in collecting material relating to the history of Alabama which will, in due course of time, be published or made accessible to students.

SAMUEL SLADE BENTON, HIS ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS. By Josiah Benton, Jr. Privately Printed. The Merrymount Press, Boston, 1901.

CERTAIN ABORIGINAL REMAINS OF THE NORTHWEST FLOR-

IDA COAST. Part I. By Clarence B. Moore. Reprint from the Journal of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, vol. XI. Philadelphia, 1901.

COLLECTIONS OF THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, vol. IX. St. Paul, 1901.

THE DESCENDANTS OF HUGH AMORY, 1605-1805. By Gertrude Euphemia Meredith. London, 1901.

This very handsome volume, sent by Mr. Frederic Amory, of Boston, traces the descendants of Hugh Amory, who was living at Wrington, Somersetshire, in 1605, and who died in 1626, giving full accounts of his son Thomas (1608-1667), a merchant of Bristol, who afterwards lived in Kerry, Ireland; his grandson Jonathan (1654-1699), who was first a merchant in Dublin, but who afterwards went to the West Indies, and finally came to Charles Town, South Carolina, where he became one of the leading men in the province; his great-grandson Thomas Amory (1682-1728), who was first a merchant of the Azores and then of Boston; his great-great-grandson Thomas Amory (1722-1784), of Boston, and his great-great-great-grandson Thomas Coffin Amory (1767-1812), of Boston. Chapter IV. deals with Jonathan Amory's life in Carolina and is very interesting. Chapter VII. contains, for the most part, correspondence between Thomas Amory (1682-1728) and his relatives and friends in Charles Town, and the, heretofore unpublished, local history given in these letters is invaluable. Much that is given in other chapters bears more or less on South Carolina and, upon the whole, the Boston Amorys are to be thanked for bringing out this volume. Handsome portraits of Thomas Amory (1682-1728), Thomas Amory (1722-1784), Mrs. Elizabeth (Coffin) Amory (1741-1822) and Thomas Coffin Amory (1767-1812) are reproduced in the book.

Part II of Annual Report of the Smithsonian Institution, 1897.

Annual Report of the Smithsonian Institution, 1899.

The Spanish Archives of California. Paper read before the California Genealogical Society, July 13, 1901. By Zoeth S. Eldredge. San Francisco, 1901.

Letters of Joseph Jones to James Madison, 1788-1802. Edited by Worthington Chauncey Ford. Cambridge, 1901.

Charter, Constitution and By-Laws of the Oneida Historical Society at Utica. Officers, Committees and Members. 1901.

Report of the President of Yale University and of the

Deans and Directors of its several Departments for the Academic Year, 1900-1901.

Annual Report of the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston, 1900-1901.

Monthly Bulletins of Books added to the Public Library of the City of Boston, July, August and September 1901.

Proceedings of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin at its Forty-Eighth Annual Meeting, held December 13, 1900. Madison, 1901.

The Quarterly of the Texas State Historical Association, July, 1901.

Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society held at Philadelphia for promoting Useful Knowledge, January and July, 1901.

Publications of the Southern History Association, July and September, 1901.

The Essex Institute Historical Collections, July 1901.

Records of the American Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia, September, 1901.

The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, July, 1901.

The West Virginia Historical Magazine, July, 1901.

The Sewanee Review, July, 1901.

The Lost Cause, Louisville, Ky., July, August and September, 1901.

The New-England Historical and Genealogical Register, July, 1901.

The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, July, 1901.

The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, Philadelphia, 1901.

The index to American portraits, contained in this number (G. to P.), contains the names of Henry Laurens, Hugh S. Legaré, George McDuffie, Edward G. Malbone and Joel R. Poinsett.

The American Catholic Historical Researches, July, 1901.

The "Old Northwest" Genealogical Quarterly, July, 1901.

The Iowa Historical Record, July, 1901.

Annals of Iowa, July, 1901.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

With this number *The South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine*, published quarterly (January, April, July and October) by the South Carolina Historical Society for the benefit of its members, closes its second yearly volume. The advantage to the Society of this magazine is apparent when we make the simple statement that since the commencement of the publication of the magazine the membership of the Society has increased from sixty odd to nearly three hundred. But this number is not large enough. The membership should be five hundred. If the Virginia Historical Society can muster eight hundred members the South Carolina Historical Society should muster five hundred. This Society has no endowment fund, no State aid and no life membership fund, so that it is entirely dependent on its income from annual dues of members and sales of its publications. We therefore appeal to the people of South Carolina and to South Carolinians living elsewhere, or to any one interested in the publication of materials pertaining to the history of South Carolina, to further the work that we are doing by joining the Society. The annual membership fee is three dollars (\$3.) and each member receives free the quarterly magazine of history and genealogy. The current year began May 19, 1901 and ends May 19, 1902. Any one joining now will receive all four of the magazines issued during that period.

The library of the Society has lately been enriched by the donation to it by Dr. B. H. Teague, of Aiken, S. C., an honorary member, of a part of his valuable collection of books, pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, curios, &c.

Mr. D. H. Means, of Columbia, a member, has presented a photograph of an early treaty with the Indians in the vicinity of Charles Town. The original is preserved in the "Indian Books" in the office of Secretary of State, Columbia.

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| Booksellers, 9 Broad street. | 1857. \$2.00

Collections | of the | South-Carolina Historical Society.
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by the South-Carolina Historical Society | 1859.

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| Volume V. | Published by the South Carolina Historical
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Paper, \$2.00

The | Historical Society of South Carolina, | Papers —
1889. | Memoir | of | Professor F. A. Porcher, | late Presi-
dent of the Society. | Charleston, S. C. | Walker, Evans &
Cogswell Co., printers, | 3 and 5 Broad and 117 East Bay
streets. | 1889. 25c.

8 vo. pp. 6.

Publications | of the | South Carolina Historical Society
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Pelatiah Webster in 1765. | Edited by | Prof. T. P. Harri-
son. | [Reprinted from Publications of the Southern | History
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